

09-330 Office of Mental Health - State Office

Agency Description

The mission of the Office of Mental Health is to provide a comprehensive, integrated continuum of mental health care (system of service) statewide, including emergency services, community treatment and support, and specialized inpatient services, for targeted adults with serious mental illness and children/youth with serious emotional/behavioral disturbance in need, in accordance with state and national accrediting organizations standards for service access, quality, outcome and cost.

The goals of the Office of Mental Health are:

1. To achieve a cost-effective, cost-efficient system of services for all targeted persons in need of mental health services statewide while maintaining the best possible quality of care.
2. To develop a comprehensive, integrated, statewide continuum of contemporary and innovative mental health services for adults with serious mental illness and children/adolescents with serious emotional/behavioral disorders, including supported housing, employment, education, and other organized consumer support services.

The Office of Mental Health is responsible for the statewide management and operational support of a comprehensive array of mental health services and delivers an integrated system of community inpatient hospital programs; some are directly operated by the state and others are contracted with service providers. This integrated system of care includes mental health services, rehabilitation, education, employment, social, and other support services. The system assures interagency collaboration appropriate for adults and children and the multiple needs of those who have serious mental and emotional disorders. The system of services encompasses all 64 Louisiana parishes and is organized into three geographic service areas: A (Southeast Louisiana), B (Southwest Louisiana), and C (North Louisiana). It includes 34 community mental health centers, 7 psychiatric acute inpatient units, 6 state psychiatric hospitals (including one forensic hospital), as well as contracted services, such as mobile crisis services, case management, and other services provided through private and non-profit agencies. The Office maintains memoranda of agreement with Jefferson Parish Human Service Authority (see 09-300) and the Capitol Area Human Service District (see 09-302) for mental health services within their respective parishes. All services are integrated within a statewide system of care. The Office of Mental Health has two programs: Administration and Support and Community Mental Health.

AGENCY BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 2001-2002	ACT 13 2002-2003	EXISTING 2002-2003	CONTINUATION 2003-2004	RECOMMENDED 2003-2004	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$5,550,818	\$6,351,540	\$6,351,540	\$6,717,580	\$13,056,934	\$6,705,394
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	35,834	3,395,143	3,395,143	3,433,127	3,636,382	241,239
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	0	5,000	5,000	5,000	0	(5,000)
Statutory Dedications	0	565,194	565,194	0	0	(565,194)
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	6,375,881	7,272,593	7,272,593	7,272,593	7,059,402	(213,191)
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$11,962,533	\$17,589,470	\$17,589,470	\$17,428,300	\$23,752,718	\$6,163,248
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Administration & Support	\$3,882,441	\$8,461,271	\$8,461,271	\$8,178,656	\$7,426,595	(\$1,034,676)
Community Mental Health Program	8,080,092	9,128,199	9,128,199	9,249,644	16,326,123	7,197,924
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$11,962,533	\$17,589,470	\$17,589,470	\$17,428,300	\$23,752,718	\$6,163,248
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	42	56	56	56	56	0
Unclassified	3	5	5	5	5	0
TOTAL	45	61	61	61	61	0